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GETTING READY NOW FOR FIGHTING ON WESTERN FRONT

Although under the good weather the terrain in France and Belgium is fast drying out and the Teutonic allies are continuing to pour thousands of troops to positions behind the battle line, there still has been no indication that the enemy is ready to begin his much-advertised offensive.

While the German reinforcements have been coming up the Entente commanders have not been lying idle and waiting for the offensive to begin. On the other hand, they everywhere have strengthened their positions to meet any emergency, and optimism is expressed both from British and French sources that should the Germans strike, no matter how early the moment, they will meet with stubborn resistance from gun and man-power.

CLOVIS DEFEATS CANYON

In one of the slowest games of the season Clovis high school, under the splendid coaching of Prin. A. R. Seiler, defeated Canyon State Normal by the one-sided score of 54 to 8. The game started with a rush, as our boys were somewhat smaller and did not know the caliber of the Canyon team, who defeated them last year. With Walter at center jumping a head higher than his opponent it was an easy matter to foot the ball down to Tom and Dewey, who did the rest, aided by the fast running guard, Mike, and the stone wall defense put up by Captain Roger. To show the caliber of the Clovis team, there were twenty-nine points scored before Canyon scored a single point. Ten minutes elapsed before Canyon had her hand on the ball, or attempted a goal. The score at the end of the first half was 30 to 1. Points scored: By Tom, 18; by Dewey, 12; by Walter, 12; by Mike, 8; by Jimmy, 4. by Canyon, 2 field, and two free goals.

Extra choice residence lots one block off Main Street, and just one block from residence lots that are selling for from \$250 per lot up that we can sell right now for from \$100 to \$150, with just a small cash payment and balance easy monthly payments. Better look into this at once. J. H. Shearer, Mgr. Land and Cattle Dept. Baker Bros. Agency.

Lyceum Theatre

Wholesome Entertainment for the Christian, His Wife, His Child and His Friend

PROGRAM

Friday, Feb. 15 to Saturday, Feb. 23. Friday, Feb. 15, and Saturday matinee—Benjamin Chapin in "The Son of Democracy". An episode from the life of Abraham Lincoln. Wm. S. Hart in "The Gentleman from Blue Gulch" and Lonesome Luke Comedy. Saturday, Feb. 16. Mary Pickford in "Sister Marie". Mary Pickford plays two different roles in this feature. An Arterial Picture. Also Paramount Screen Magazine. Monday, Feb. 18. Mary Garden in "Chalk". Goldwyn Production, seven reels. Also Burton Holmes Travelogue. Tuesday, Feb. 19—Charles Ray in "The Hired Man". A Paramount Picture. Also Victor Moore Comedy. Wednesday, Feb. 20—Special Herbert Brenon's "Empty Pockets." By Robert Hughes, six reels. Also Keystone Comedy, two reels. Thursday, Feb. 21. Julian Eltinge in "The Widow's Might." A Paramount Picture. John Bunny in "The Wonderful Statute." Also Universal Animated Weekly. Friday, Feb. 22, and Saturday Matinee—Benjamin Chapin in "The Son of Democracy". An episode from the life of Abraham Lincoln. Lloyd V. Hamilton (Ham) in "Bouring Blou and Wedding Bells." Two Reel Sunshine Comedy "The Hidden Hand." Chapter Ten.

DIFFERENCE IN PAPER.

The pages of this week's News are of a somewhat different color. This shows how the different shipments of newspaper vary now. These different sheets are the same grade and purchased from the same house, although there is a distinct difference in color. This is caused by the chemical process used in bleaching and we can cross the Kaiser for it.

School Notes

At the request of the government all schools were asked to join the Junior Red Cross. Clovis schools had this in mind for some time, but were for the present devoting their time to the sale of thrift stamps. The drive for members was set for the period between the birthdays of Lincoln and Washington. The Clovis drive began before that time and resulted in a large percentage of the daily attendance becoming members. This assures us of membership, since provision has been made for those who cannot afford to give twenty-five cents. There are many, too, who have taken our membership in the Red Cross, and feel that it is more than one is expected to do to join an organization of the same organization. Many children, however, did this very thing, and are to be congratulated for their patriotism. It is not to be construed, however, that those who do not join are unpatriotic, for such is not the case. Many who do not join this organization are liberty bond buyers, and thrift war savings stamps purchasers. The school desires to make it known that parents are always at liberty to use their best judgment concerning requests sent home for memberships in the various and numerous organizations now being formed. The requests simply mean that they have come to the school which is requested to advertise the matter in the homes.

A number of people submitted names for the east and west school buildings for the most were repetitions of last week. Miss Florence Dabner has suggested the name of Lincoln for the east building and Lindsey for the west building. Her mother suggests the name for the east, and the name Rankin for the west. The Board of Education will now select from these eighteen to twenty names suggested for each building and invite the patrons and children to cast their votes. Next week's issue will contain the ballot, and the names selected for the people to vote on. Remember to vote a name for each building, and remember also that anyone may cast a vote.

AN ITEM OF INTEREST TO LOCAL GARDEN MAKERS.

Santa Fe, N. M., Feb. 13. As has been his custom for several years United States Senator Albert B. Fall has shipped to State Land Commissioner Robert P. Evrion the remainder of the Senator's allotment of garden seeds. After making his usual distribution to the people of New Mexico direct from Washington. The seeds received by the Land Commissioner this year are confined wholly to garden seeds, there being no flower or field seeds. Senator Fall takes this further method of distribution of seeds in order that all of his constituents in New Mexico, many of whom are not on his mailing lists, may have an opportunity to participate in the government's annual seed distribution. Those who are making home gardens this year and who wish to receive a package of assorted garden seeds may obtain same by addressing a postal to Robert P. Evrion, Commissioner of Public Lands, Santa Fe, N. M. Name and post office address of the writer should be written plainly.

For immediate sale, 100 acres choice land, close in, with about \$2000 of improvements. Price \$4000. Terms, Land and Cattle Dept. Baker Bros. Agency.

MAY 11 WILL LIKELY BE PRIMARY DATE

The Democratic Central Committee met in the court house in Clovis, Monday afternoon of this week. The principal business attended to was the setting of the date for the primary election which will in all probability be May 11th. A resolution was adopted proposing that the County Chairman of the several counties in this judicial district hold a conference and decide upon a date for a uniform primary. Lea County has already set her primaries for May 11th, and it is more than likely this will be the date set. This will give the candidates only about three months more to finish their campaigning. The complete minutes of the meeting Monday will be found on another page.

CAN'T SINK SHIPS BY U-BOATS, SAYS REPORT

Washington, Feb. 9. Announcement by Vice Chairman Saunders of the Naval Constructing Board that means have been found to make troop ships practically unsinkable lends new meaning to the confidence with which both American and British naval authorities are facing their task of clearing the seas of U-boats. Recent statements by Admiral Jellicoe, formerly First Sea Lord of the British Admiralty, by Secretary Daniels and other officials have indicated that a campaign has been mapped out and the instruments developed which are expected to curb, if not eliminate the submarines entirely within the next few months.

Discussion of the devices developed is reported by officials here. Investigations and experiments have been conducted closely. High officials have been free to assert privately, however, their belief that the U-boats would be checked sufficiently by early summer to insure a steady flow of American troops and supplies to Europe with few incidents such as that of the Tuscania to be anticipated.

Admiral Jellicoe went further than other officials by predicting the submarines would be "killed" by August. At the same time he warned that heavy ship losses were to be expected up to that time. Secretary Baker has insisted before the Senate Committee that a million and a half American troops could be taken to France and kept supplied during 1918. His reply to the question as to tonnage for the task have indicated that he has information which he does not care to disclose.

Have you enlisted in the Army of Savors? Buy War-Savings Stamps!

What is Clovis Going to Do About Improvements?

Clovis will have a city election in April. At this time it had been planned to have a bond election to extend the water mains, give more fire protection and also extend the sewer system. Extensive improvements have been made in the equipment at the plant during the past year and to make these improvements the council borrowed money, but at the same time it was, we understand, one of the conditions of the loan that a bond issue should be submitted to the people at each election until it is accepted to help repay the money borrowed. This election must be called by the council at its meeting Monday night if the issue is to be passed upon in April, as bond issues can only be submitted every two years at regular city elections. In conversation with a member of the council this week the News man was informed that it was the desire of the council to have the wishes of the public in regard to the submission of the issue and in case it is submitted just what amount of bond issue is desired. There are some conditions due to the war that possibly may make some favor the postponement of the issue or curtailing the amount of the issue, but at the same time there is a dire need of particular-

HEATLESS MONDAYS HAVE BEEN ABANDONED

Washington, Feb. 13. Suspension of the heatless Monday program was announced today by Fuel Administrator Garfield, with the reservation that it may be put back into force before the ten weeks period expires if a return of bad weather brings another breakdown in railroad transportation.

At the same time Dr. Garfield gave state fuel administrators full authority to continue the closing order in territory under their jurisdiction if in their opinion circumstances demanded it. The heatless Mondays were decreed by the fuel administration on Jan. 17, and four have been observed in all states east of the Mississippi except those south of Virginia. The order was enforced in the south on three Mondays but was lifted there last week.

The fuel situation everywhere except in New England has improved greatly within the last two weeks, Dr. Garfield said today. Reports from the state administrators in New England have indicated that most of them think the situation demands further closing. Director General McAuliffe tonight gave out a statement endorsing the rescinding of the Monday closing order, but calling attention to the danger of further transportation difficulties from winter weather, and the consequent necessity of conserving coal.

EASTERN STAR NOTES.

The Eastern Star had a very interesting meeting on February 8th. A service flag will be placed in the Chapter room in the near future in honor of our boys, who are in the service of our country, who have near relatives who are members of the order of Eastern Star.

The chapter will donate \$25.00 to the local Red Cross work.

We will have luncheon and a social meeting on Washington's Birthday, February 22nd. Would like for all members to be present.

330 acres of extra good land, 2 1/2 miles from Clovis, well improved, can be had right now for \$25 per acre. Will consider good residence in Clovis on the deal J. H. Shepard, Mgr. Land and Cattle Dept. Baker Bros. Agency.

Attorney O. O. Asken of Roswell is here this week looking after matters in the District Court.

Bob Jones of Mesquite is in Clovis this week serving as a grand jurymen.

W. B. Eakin and son, Arthur, returned this week from a ten days' visit in California.

COURT IN SESSION NOW; JURY CASES BEGIN FRIDAY

CLASS ONE MEN TAKE EXAMINATION.

Following is the result of physical examination of the young men in Curry County in Class One. The list is a continuation of that published last week:

Table with columns: Name, Order No., and physical status (Physically Deficient, Physically Qualified).

Passed Physical Examination.

Table with columns: Name, Order No., and physical status (Physically Qualified for service).

District Court convened Monday with Judge Granville A. Richardson presiding. Non-jury cases occupied the time of the court for the first three days. The petit jury was empanelled Thursday and the jury docket will be taken up Friday. The grand jury will very likely complete its labors Thursday evening. The jury is composed of the following citizens:

- A. L. Cox, Foreman; R. S. Easton; J. N. Phillips; F. R. McKinley; W. B. Shapiro; W. F. Martin; A. S. Davis; Clayton Reed; F. E. Dent; H. M. Waller; A. Hankhouse; C. C. Burgess; W. R. Fletcher; J. T. Skeen; Paul Owens; J. H. Sommerfrucht; B. F. Hall; J. A. Whitfield; J. C. Fricke; Oscar Willison; R. M. Jones.

ONE-THIRD MORE THAN LAST YEAR

Santa Fe, Feb. 12. During January Secretary of State Antonio Luero collected \$91,287 in automobile licenses as against \$45,438 last year. The automobile license money was distributed yesterday, \$27,731 going into the State Treasury and an equal sum being apportioned among the counties according to the amount each contributed, and \$5,823.44 going into the expense fund for administering the law.

Bernalillo county is second in automobile wealth, licenses paid in that county during January being \$5,808 although Chavez is a close third with \$5,892, each having about a million dollars invested in automobiles and expending a quarter million dollars annually for upkeep.

Grant county, on account of the many trucks at the milking camps, leads all other counties, having paid \$9,296 in license fees. Its neighboring county of Luna is fourth with \$4,062, the two counties contributing more than one-sixth of the total license fees collected from the 28 counties.

Curry county is fifth with \$2,630; Colfax county sixth with \$2,372 and the other counties as follows: Dona Ana, \$3,068; Socorro \$2,674; Union \$2,632; Bddy \$2,329; San Miguel \$1,918; Quas \$1,910; Lincoln \$1,524; Mora \$1,422; Santa Fe \$1,380; Chero \$1,232; Valencia \$1,188; Guadalupe \$1,154; McKinley \$1,128; Lea \$982; DeBarr \$890; Sierra \$772; San Juan \$694; Rio Arriba \$514; Yuni \$310; Sandoval \$264.

880 acres of good right land, well and windmill and a lot of other improvements. This good little ranch can be handled for cash payment of \$2,500. The price will tickle you all over in spots too. Land and Cattle Dept. Baker Bros. Agency.

A number of the teachers, officers and workers in the Christian Church Bible school met with Mrs. Earl R. Cassell Tuesday evening and planned for an aggressive Bible school campaign.

Phone A. E. Dorman, the Piano man, 286. 21.

NINETEEN BILLS FOUND. At the time the News went to press Thursday afternoon, the grand jury had not completed its labors. Nineteen true bills have been turned into court, the nature of which are not public at this time, but will be in the News next week.

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